

Dear Oregon House of Representatives,

As a pediatrician and founder of Kaiser Permanente's Family Violence Prevention Task Force, I can say personally that Oregonians desperately need this bill passed.

I have seen too many families destroyed by guns used by stalkers and perpetrators of known past perpetrators of domestic violence. And kids are not spared.

HB4145 would:

Prevent CONVICTED (not suspected but not yet convicted) stalkers from buying or possessing guns.

Close the "Boyfriend Loophole". Dating partners, not spouses, are very frequently involved in family violence with guns.

Assure that conviction data gets entered in the Law Enforcement Data System & the Justice Department's National Crime Information Center by

Oregon State Police, as well as the Oregon US Attorney's office, and all state and local DAs and law enforcement.

The SJM 201 does nothing --merely urging our national Congress to pass laws about assault weapons--a Congress known so well for its refusal to do anything about the 4,000 kids who die each year---some of whom are now being gunned down by assault rifles, and some in the throes of family violence.. These mass killing weapons have nothing to do with the 2nd amendment: they are, like machine guns, meant to kill people, and should be regulated like machine guns IN OREGON. Our citizens need far more protection from what keeps happening in OUR state--from Springfield to Portland to Troutdale to Clackamas to Roseburg.

[Thank you for your attention,](#)

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